- (b) the details of storage capacity;
- (c) whether Shahpura Mitouni is one of these places;
- (d) whether the benefits are reaching the local people from the said undertakings; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) The company-wise oil storage capacities of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. in Madhya Pradesh are given below:—

(Figs. in KLs)

	COMPANY		
Location	IOC	HPC	ВРС
Satna	8868	3617	
Sagar	10650		
Singrauli	14286		
Mangalia (Indore)	17373		15755
Ratlam	7274	6518	· _
Nishatpura	21903	13517	7906
Gwalior	_	_	5330
Rairu (Gwalior)	14260		10929
Itarsi	10371	_	_
Bhittoni (Jabalpur)	23946		11884
Khandwa	6439		3600
Bhilai	7 <b>369</b>	_	17116
Bilaspur	5492	2223	_
Bishrampur	3514		
Raipur	_	13868	2808
Total	151745	75328	39743

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) The oil storage depots at the above mentioned places in the State of Madhya Pradesh, have ensured the availability of petroleum products of mass consumption to the people of the area nearer to the consumption zones.
  - (e) Does not arise.

[English]

## Supply of Bitumen

5209. SHRI MAHESH KUMAR M. KANODIA:
SHRI DILEEP SANGHANI:
SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:
SHRIMATI BHAVNABEN DEVRAJ BHAI
CHIKHALIA:
DR. A.K. PATEL:
SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VERMA:
SHRI DINSHA PATEL:
SHRI GORDHANBHAI JAVIA:
DR. VALLABH BHAI KATHIRIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government of Gujarat has requested the Union Government for sufficient supply of bitumen and asphalt to the State;
- (b) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to ensure the sufficient supply of the bitumen and asphalt;
- (c) whether it has been brought to the notice of the Government that there is a long queue waiting for asphalt at the Koyali refinery during the working seasons resulting in long waiting of Tankers and loss due to waiting period;
- (d) if so, whether any assessment for long waiting has been made in this regard;
- (e) whether the loading capacity of bitumen at the refinery is sufficient in accordance with demand and the tankers in waiting; and
- (f) if not, the steps Government have taken or proposed to be taken for the uninterrupted supply of bitumen at the refinery?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The oil companies have been directed to meet the full requirement of the State.

- (c) and '(d): Long queues are witnessed occasionally during the peak working season wherein the average waiting period is one to two days occasionally.
- (e) and (f): The loading capacity of bitumen at Koyali Refinery is more than the actual production. Till the expansion of Koyali Refinery, the production of bitumen cannot be increased as per the production pattern.

## Brahamapuram Hydro Electric Project

5210. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have given approval to Brahmapuram Hydro Electric Power Project tin Kerala;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have imposed any conditions on KSEB;
- (d) if so, whether the conditions have not been fulfilled by the Kerala State Electricity Board;
- (e) the total power being produced by this project; and
- (f) the details of foreign funds if any, made available/ offered for this project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) to (f) No, Sir. However, Central Electricity Authority has accorded techno-economic clearance to Brahmapuram Diesel Generating Plant (5  $\times$  20 MW) at an estimated cost of Rs. 281.00 crores on 9.7.1993. This project was sanctioned by the Planning Commission on 2.9.1993 and is expected to be commissioned in 1996-97.

[Translation]

## State Electricity Boards

5211. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR : SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ : SHRI NITISH KUMAR : SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government are proposing to reorganise and revamping the State Electricity Boards to make them more viable and effective;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the time by which the work of reorganisation of the State Electricity Boards is likely to be undertaken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) and (b) Government of India has emphasised in its various communications to the State Governments the need for reforms/restructuring of the State Power Sector. Besides encouraging the States to restructure their State Electricity Boards, the steps being taken to make the State Electricity Boards more viable include improving their generation reducing transmission and distribution losses, reducing establishment costs, promoting better management practices and project implementation capabilities.

(c) Diagnostic studies aimed at improving the physical and financial performance have been initiated in several

States namely, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, and Karnataka. A new reform legislation namely, the Orissa Reform Act, 1995 has been enacted and made effective in the State of Orissa from 1.4.1996. A few other States, within whose competence this issue lies, are also considering taking similar steps.

[English]

## Beneficiaries of Integrated Rural Development Scheme

5212. SHRI NAND KUMAR SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the people on whose recommendations the beneficiaries of Integrated Rural Development Scheme are elected from among the people living below the poverty line;
- (b) the role of Members of Parliament in the selection of beneficiaries as prescribed by the Union Government;
- (c) whether the Union Government would issue instructions to the district magistrates of States regarding the selection of beneficiaries on the recommendation of M.Ps. from the survey list of people living below poverty line:
- (d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be done; and
  - (e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (e) Under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) the beneficiary families living below poverty line (BPL) are identified on the basis of a household survey which is conducted at the beginning of each Five Year Plan. From the BPL families identified in this preliminary survey the selection of beneficiaries is to be carried out in accordance with the guidelines in this regard, in the meeting of the Gram Sabhas which is to be attended by adult residents of village, non-officials, block officers, bank officers and supervisory personnel nominated by the District Rural Development Agency (DRDA). The entire process of selection is therefore to be done in public and with total transparency. These guidelines are by and large being observed. After approving the list of beneficiaries the Gram Sabha sends it to Panchayat Samiti/Block Development Officer and DRDA, in whose governing body Members of Parliament and Members of Legislative Assembly are represented, for formal approval.

The Members of Parliament are not directly involved in the selection of beneficiaries. There is no proposal to